Development of State roads

2987. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have developed some State roads of economic importance during the Eighth Plan;
- (b) if so, the names of such roads in Orissa and the central assistance extended by Government for development of these roads;
- (c) whether any such road in Orissa is being developed or considered for developed with the central assistance during the Ninth Plan; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B. C. KHANDURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) One project relating to construction of bridge over Mahanadi near Boudh-Kaikata-Rairakhole road which had been approved in principle on 29.9.1993 (in the 8th Plan) with an estimated cost of Rs. 1500.32 lakh with Central Share of Rs. 750.16 lakhs was finally sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 2994.33 lakhs with Central share of Rs. 750.16 lakh on 25.1.1999 (in the 9th Plan) in the State of Orissa under the E&I Scheme.

National Highways Projects

2988. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the National Highway Development Projects undertaken by the National Highways Authority of India at present in different States, State-wise;